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UM ARTISTS HOLD ANNUAL HOLIDAY SALE

MISSOULA—

Ceramics, sculpture, photos, prints, drawings and paintings will be available for sale at The University of Montana for those who are looking for unique holiday gifts.

The 20th annual Starving Sculpture and Ceramics Students and the Artist Collective of UM sale and juried art show will be held Dec. 8-10 at the Art Annex, located next to Adams Center.

Sale hours are 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, and 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9 and 10.

The sale and show events are free and open to the public.

A raffle for an original art work by Brad Allen, UM professor of sculpture, will be held in conjunction with this year's show and sale.

Proceeds from the sale will be used for scholarships, student travel to conferences, visiting artist expenses, student equipment and wood for the Anagama kiln firing.

Awards for the juried art show will be presented at 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, at the Art Annex. The show, featuring ceramics and sculpture, will be juried by Missoula artist Lela Autio.

The Thursday evening awards event also will include a dedication of the newly named

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“Off Center Gallery” in memory of Scott Bardsley. The former **Butte** High School teacher was enrolled in the graduate program in ceramics at UM in 1999, when he was killed in a case of domestic violence.

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